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LOYOLA TEAMS WIN THREE QUEBEC CHAMPIONSHIPS
ENTER NATIONAL PLAYOFFS

This past Saturday, March 1st, Loyola varsity teams completed an unprecedented sweep of three Quebec University Athletic Association Championships in men's Basketball and Hockey, as well as women's Basketball. In so doing all three teams won the right to represent the Province of Quebec in National University playoff competition.

Reflecting on the performance of the teams, Loyola Campus Athletic Director Dr. Ed Enos credited three factors for their success, "... the dedication and discipline of our athletes, the expertise of our coaching and support staff and the Loyola athletic-academic developmental environment. In the new Concordia University structure we are working to maintain this beneficial relationship between the academic Dept. of Bio-Physical Education and the athletic program."

Loyola hockey coach Paul Arsenault, reflecting Dr. Enos' feelings, believes that "athletics in an educational perspective brings out the best in an athlete." The Warriors will need their best when they take on the number-one ranked University of Alberta Golden Bears. The best of a two-out-of-three series begins on Friday in Edmonton. The winner of the series then goes into the National Final the following weekend.

QUAA Basketball Coach of the Year Doug Daigneault leaves with his Warrior cagers on Wednesday for Waterloo, Ontario, where the eight top basketball teams in Canada vie for the coveted National Crown. The Loyola squad opens up on Friday at 1:00 p.m. at the University of Waterloo gym against the always-strong Acadia Axemen from Wolfville, N.S. The tournament then continues on Saturday with the National Final slated for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday. The final game will be telecast live on the CBC National Network.

On the women's side, Coach Steve Forman and Co-ordinator of Women's Athletics Pat Boland will take the basketball Tommies to Fredericton, New Brunswick where they will make their first-ever appearance in the CWIAU Nationals. The Tommies open up the tournament against the University of Winnipeg Wesmenettes on Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. at the University of New Brunswick gymnasium.

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